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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED DECEMBER 29, 2006

Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on December 29, 2006 (the "Final Office Action"), Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's rejections. Because this response has been filed within two months of when the Final Office Action was issued, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue an advisory action if the Examiner does not find the claims to be allowable in light of the amendments and remarks made herein.

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